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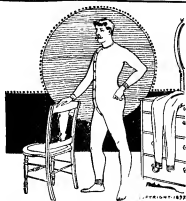
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BY the time this issue reaches our readers it will
be too late to wish them a Merry Christmas,
but we extend to them our best wishes for a
happy and prosperous new year. Scattered over
all parts of the country they are no doubt enjoying
the festivities of the Christmas season. We alone
are left in the deserted halls and sanctum to pre-
pare copy and read proof. The editorial "we" in
this case represents but one member of the staff,
and if this issue is not up to the mark he hopes the
indulgent reader will make some allowance.

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We learn from good authority that the Arts
Society will call a meeting early in the new
year to arrange for extending the privileges of
the reading-room to the ladies. The idea is a
good one, and shows that much as men may bemoan
the lack of public spirit in our students, the days of
chivalry and gallantry are not gone from our halls
even yet. So far no murmur of complaint has been
heard from that ever-increasing and consequently
ever more important company of lady students who
have effected such a complete change in the con-
ditions of our college life. The fact, however, that
the ladies reading-room has had as its supplies
only the journals and papers that had already

fulfilled their purpose for a month or so in the
general reading-room, shows that reason for com-
plaint was not wanting; and the reason it was not
forthcoming we can only attribute to that infinite
patience which always awaits with perfect trust
the action of the lords of the human race.

The arrangement which is suggested is that the
reading-room be left one hour each day to the use
of the ladies exclusively. This sacrifice on our part
we should not find a sore trial. The reading-room
is not so persistently occupied but that we might
give up an hour without noticing the difference.

Anyone who has been attending the "at homes"
given by different years in Arts will acknowledge
that the co-operation of a hundred lady students is
a most desirable feature in our college gatherings.
And we are surely not so lacking in true principles
of manhood as to take all and give nothing.

It has always been the spirit of Queen's to with-
hold from the ladies no privilege or advantage that
is granted to men. This has been true in the past
as regards lectures and examinations, and we are
happy to see that it is going to be true in regard to
lesser privileges, such as that of the reading-room.

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It is not our intention to add anything one way
or the other to the controversy that is now going on,
the subject of prohibition on the basis of the
letters of Principal Grant to the *Globe*, but the kind
of criticism employed by those who take exception
to the Principal's position, as outlined in these
letters, is worthy of note. It is assumed by almost
all these critics that prohibition is the one and only
means of dealing with the liquor traffic. Their
criticisms plainly show that they believe that there
are only two positions which any one can take,
either he is in favor of prohibition, or else he is in
favor of the liquor traffic and supporting the liquor
interests. That this is not the only alternative
would seem to be a truth almost too obvious to be
stated. Surely the question is wider than that, for
if not why argue further if there is but one side to
the question? If prohibition were the *only* remedy
and the only means of controlling the passion for

intoxicants, there would be some good ground for identifying prohibition with temperance. But to assume that prohibition is the only remedy is simply begging the question. It is to assume the very point that is required to be proved. Surely men may differ as to the method of treating a social evil without the advocates of one system calling in question the sincerity of the motives of all who differ from them, just as two physicians may diagnose the same case and each adopt a different line of treatment, each convinced that his treatment is in accordance with a right diagnosis of the case. It would manifestly be unfair for one to charge that the other was seeking to aid the disease instead of preventing it, simply because his method of treatment was different. Yet this is precisely the attitude taken by many clergymen from whom better things might be expected. Prohibition has too strong a case to require any illiberal treatment of opponents. Its true strength will be shown by fair comparison with other methods of dealing with the liquor problem.

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A letter from Dr. H. A. Parkyn, now of Chicago, addressed to the late President of the Alma Mater, comes to our hand from which we make some clippings. Dr. Parkyn says: "Glad Inter-collegiate Union is formed. Queen's advocated the right step, *i.e.*, no graduates—that is the best thing for pure athletics. Am as much interested in Queen's and her success as the men still there. . . . My recollection of football at Queen's was that we never had enough foothalls, and that there were always too many to kick them. On Oct. 1st, 1898, I intend to send a regulation football and will do so each year. I think it would be a nice custom to start and would tend to develop 'kickers.'" The above illustrates a well known fact that the loyalty of Queen's men to their Alma Mater is not lost once they leave the college halls. From Dr. Parkyn's interest in sports while at Queen's we do not wonder at the interest he still has in her athletics. Those who remember his playing on the old heavy-weight team of Queen's that comprised such men as Marquis, Cameron, Grant and Echlin, will remember also that he had the reputation of being the *kicker* of the day in Ontario football. It is to be hoped that his kindly gift will help to develop others in the same line.

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The action of the senate in closing classes at noon on Friday was appreciated by the students generally. Many of the students were engaged on various committees in preparation for the conversazione, which would have made it very difficult for them to attend classes in the afternoon. It would have

been in the nature of an injustice to these if lectures were given which they could not attend. This year by the good arrangements arrived at as to the length of the holidays, very little "sloping" of classes has been indulged in compared with previous years.

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We have just received a communication from a member of The Canadian Society lately organized in New York, with the object of fostering cordial, social relations between Canadians of New York and vicinity, and the keeping alive of memories of Canada. To this society a number of Queen's men already belong. They have been endeavoring to form also a "Society of Graduates of Queen's University." We wish both societies unbounded prosperity.

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We learn from the Registrar that the index-catalogue of library books has been completed. About two thousand cards have been added to the list.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor of the Journal:

SIR,—I notice in the last issue of the JOURNAL a short communication from an anonymous writer (whose identity, however, is sufficiently revealed by the style of his letter), complaining of certain arrangements recently introduced into the reading room. I wonder if the writer has ever heard the old saying—"Never look a gift horse in the mouth." Evidently not, for he has ignored the principle of social etiquette implied in that rustic proverb. In plain English he has taken advantage of privileges extended by the courtesy of the students in general, and of the curators of the reading room in particular, and has in return made sarcastic and slighting remarks on the value of those privileges through the columns of the students' paper. From almost every point of view this would seem to be very questionable taste.

Yours, &c.,

CURATOR.

The frequent remarks in the JOURNAL in regard to the revival of college singing has brought forth much fruit. During the last week of college a visitor might have thought a Hornerite meeting was being held in the halls. The quantity is all right and we hope the quality will soon improve.

The *Evening Times*, Kingston's new and bright daily paper, will be placed on file in the reading-room after the holidays.

A pair of nippers and a copy of selections from John Stuart Mill, picked up in the halls, await an owner in the library.

Contributions and Addresses.

McGILL UNIVERSITY, PRESENT AND PAST.

THE announcement of another large donation by Mr. McDonald to the practical science department of McGill University suggests certain reflections upon the prevailing attitude to education in this country. It may be noted that of late years both public grants and private benefactions tend more and more to the support of that aspect of education which is directly connected with commercial life. Provincial parliaments may be induced to increase their grants to agricultural colleges, mining schools and other institutions for instruction in the practical applications of science in general, when little or nothing can be squeezed from them for the development of the higher branches of education and learning. Merchant princes might be induced to spend millions on the founding and equipping of faculties of applied science in connection with universities whose arts faculties, their very soul and centre, are starving for lack of the bare necessities of life.

Assuredly "things are in the saddle" with us now-a-days. The visible and temporal have many worshippers, the unseen and eternal have few among either the masses or the millionaires who are alike dominated by that particular form of abstraction known as "practical life."

Far be it from us to depreciate the liberal application of wealth to the equipment and maintenance of schools of applied science which tend to the increase of wealth by the reduction of nature to the service of man. Nevertheless it seems a pity that this additional loop in the circuit from wealth back to wealth should be so short, and should not be permitted to light a few more lamps of knowledge which might serve to penetrate the shades of ignorance and bring to light the true meaning of wealth itself. Surely wealth is meant to be not merely the most powerful instrument in its own production, but the very life blood of all higher civilization. Yet a great popular fallacy of this country is that education is chiefly a means to wealth, not wealth chiefly a means to education. The great mouth pieces of loyalty among us preach devotion to our vast superficial area, our great undeveloped resources, and the future immigrants and capitalists who are coming to make a great and wealthy people of us. The prosperity of McGill of late years is one striking example of our national tendency. Originally the arts faculty was its pride and boast, the central structure round which the other faculties were grouped. Now, however, the economic faculties, those which train the student for an income, by their rich endowments have completely dwarfed their alma

mater, until like some old mansion in a garden overtaken by the growth of a city and surrounded by modern sky-scrapers what was once a fairly imposing structure now occupies the bottom of a well.

In the light of its present position it may be interesting to take a glance at the founding of McGill, which was the pioneer of higher liberal education in the Canadas. The following extracts are taken from a report of the opening of the University on June 24, 1829, as given in the *Montreal Gazette* of that time and now very rare:

In consequence of a notification having been published that this college would be opened and that formal possession of the estate of Burnside upon which it was established would take place on Wednesday the 24th of June a numerous assemblage of the inhabitants of the city were present at what we consider to be one of the most important and interesting ceremonies lately witnessed in this part of the Province. Though there was none of the gaudy appearance and display characteristic of religious or masonic processions yet to the mind of the philosopher and friend of education the simple and appropriate ceremony, an account of which we are about to lay before our readers, presented more charms than if decked out with all the pageantry of chivalry and romance.

A large room in the house, which has been for some time existing on the estate, having been fitted up, it was soon after one o'clock filled by the numerous and respectable individuals who had gathered to witness the ceremony. Among the company we noticed several officers of the government, the principal members of the bar, the lecturers at the Montreal Medical Institution and several gentlemen more or less connected with the proposed college.

The Royal Charter which incorporated the governors and professors of the University being placed on the table, His Lordship the Bishop of Quebec rose and addressed the assembled body. He begged to observe that the bequest which had been made in favor of this college by the late Hon. James McGill consisted of the valuable estate of Burnside, comprising the building in which they were then assembled and the garden and grounds adjoining, together with the sum of £10,000, in furtherance of his benevolent intention. This liberal bequest was made in 1811 (two years previous to the death of Mr. McGill), in trust to a corporation called the Royal Institution, which was contemplated by an act passed in 1810; this Institution was to transfer the bequest, when a college in pursuance of his views was established and bearing his name. To this most benevolent legacy he could not help referring as characteristic of its liberal donor, with whom he had the honor of an acquaintance, and as furnishing

an example which he hoped to see more frequently followed in the province. The late Mr. McGill, who has amassed a very considerable fortune within the country, did not like many others leave the province and spend his money in some other part of the globe, but having no direct heirs he had left a very handsome legacy for the very laudable purpose of commencing a University in a country where such an establishment was very desirable. The Institution was to bear the name of its excellent founder, and he firmly hoped that it might prove a blessing to many generations yet to come, that it might tend to immortalize his name and be the best monument that could be erected to his memory. The Royal Institution was incorporated in 1812, and through their instrumentality this college was in pursuance of the will of Mr. McGill incorporated in 1821, by a charter which would be read to them. Under that charter the governors of the college were the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor of Lower Canada, the Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada, the Chief Justices of Montreal and Upper Canada, the Lord Bishop of Quebec and the principal of the college. It would be needless for him to refer to the detentions and obstacles which had hitherto prevented the college from going into operation. It was known that this arose from the residuary legatee under the will of Mr. McGill disputing the legality of the bequest and carrying his opposition through all the courts of the Province till His Majesty in his Privy Council had finally given the decision in favor of the Institution, whose duty it had become to prosecute for the recovery of the bequest.

The Rev. Dr. Mills, Secretary to the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, then read at length the charter of the college.

The Lord Bishop then again rose and said that he was authorized on the part of the governors of the new college to state it to be their intention as far as it was in their power to carry into effect the liberal intentions of the late Mr. McGill. It was not a work in which they themselves were solely interested but it was an institution which concerned every inhabitant of the province and under such feelings the governors were determined that no obstacles should deter them following up and prosecuting the views of the testator. He deemed it unnecessary for him to exhort them upon the advantages of education as he was sure they were all of opinion that a moral and religious education on Christian principles and a scientific course of studies on a true philosophical system were what it was their bounden duty to promote. The governors in assuming the charter hoped that their exertions would meet with the co-operation of every individual within the province.

The Venerable Archdeacon Mountain then rose and stated that as the individual named to fill the honorable post of Principal of the new college it became his duty now to say a few words. He could not but express his sense of his own unworthiness for such a distinguished office and he firmly hoped that he would be succeeded by a long line of eminent and learned principals. He had it in charge from his colleagues to state their anxiety to put the college into immediate operation, and he might urge as a proof of their wish that they had not been idle in this respect. They had been engaged in preparing and modelling a constitution and rules for the government of the institution. Although it was not necessary to detail at present their exact nature yet he could take upon himself to state that they were liberal in every sense of the word imposing no test upon professors or students. In thus applying the term liberal he wished it distinctly to be understood that he was not conveying the charge of illiberality against those noble and venerable institutions of the Mother Country in which a test was properly exacted of conformity to the National Religion, but there were local circumstances which required local adaptation and according both to the terms of the will and the provisions of the Royal Charter all offices whatever in McGill College were left freely open either to Protestants or Roman Catholics and students of all denominations would be permitted to attend. . . . It had been deemed necessary for the present to declare that the professors should be graduates of some British University, but that a preference should hereafter be shown to those who had graduated within its walls. The governors would feel it to be their duty under all discouraging obstacles to push on the great undertaking and never to cease in their exertions for its prosperity. They hoped they would meet with general support, and they trusted with confidence that they would be assisted by all when the very liberal terms of the will and charter were considered. It would be necessary for them to make a strong and powerful appeal to the Mother Country and they also expected great pecuniary assistance from those resident near the establishment and more directly interested in its prosperity. They would as soon as possible establish a system of collegiate education and there was a predisposition to engraft upon the college the well-known and respectable Medical Institution now in existence in the city. The door of the building was at length open and it was the duty of all to proceed with vigor. They might at first complain of a great want of means for such an institution, for it required much to place it on a respectable footing, but while they thus looked forward with confidence they should not be unmindful that the province

was highly indebted to the very liberal disposition of Mr. McGill, who had set such a praiseworthy example to his fellow citizens, whose duty it now became generally to aid his work and follow up his munificent views. The Archdeacon concluded his address by expressing his conviction that all who were present felt alike the dependence of every human understanding for its success upon the blessing of divine providence and would therefore be unanimously ready to join in the religious services with which it was proposed to conclude the business of the day and with which he accordingly proceeded.

Before closing this subject we deem it but justice to the Venerable Archdeacon Strachan to state that to that reverend gentleman this Province is greatly indebted for McGill College, as, to his suggestions on this subject, his friend and relative, the late Mr. McGill, lent a ready and willing ear, and was induced to frame the bequest which is now about to be employed according to the intention of its donor. To that gentleman, we understand, is also due the very liberal arrangement which was announced by the Principal with regard to the total absence of any tests for the admission of professors or students.

THROUGH WESTERN ONTARIO ON A BICYCLE.

To one who enjoys the pleasures of wheeling, and who that has mastered the silent steed does not, a fortnight's holidays in the summer cannot be more pleasantly spent than in making a tour through the beautiful counties of Western Ontario. One gets in this way a much better idea of the country than in travelling by rail, and besides such a trip is sure to be full of interesting and amusing incidents.

The writer of this article had the pleasant experience of such a trip last summer. The city of Hamilton was the starting point and a visit was first of all paid to Niagara Falls, the road all the way being splendid for wheeling and the scenery beautiful. A trip through the Niagara peninsula can be appreciated only by one whose time is at his own disposal, and who is able to visit at his leisure the historic scenes with which the historic old county of Niagara abounds. The land-sharks at the Falls may be successfully baffled by the wheelman who is independent of any other means of locomotion than his trusty bike.

Returning to Hamilton, a start was made for the west, the first seven miles of the ride being a continuous climb till Lancaster is reached at the top of the mountain, a quaint little village said to be older than the city of Hamilton. From here to Brantford the road used to be one of the worst in the country, but now in dry weather is very fair for wheeling and the distance may be covered in about an hour and

a half. Stopping to get a drink at the toll-gate near Brantford, the old keeper was attracted by the cyclometer on my wheel and examined it closely. As I was leaving he said, "Wait a minute, I want the old woman to see it," and then after enjoying her mystification he informed her with an air of quite superior wisdom "That's what tells the man how fast he's going." Leaving Brantford and the slow-running and muddy Grand River and passing through the county of Brant the village of Norwich, in Oxford county, was the next objective point. Here about the first person I met was an old college chum in the person of the Rev. John Millar. Together we planned a little side trip to Delhi, in Norfolk county, to visit another Queen's graduate, well-known to readers of the JOURNAL, the Rev. E. C. Currie. The roads were mostly heavy sand, the *pooh bah* of every wheelman. A pleasant time was spent, but the return trip was not so pleasant, for before we had got very far on our homeward way we encountered a maddened cow, which assumed a very aggressive attitude and compelled us to make a detour which included the crossing of two stump fences, an unpleasant task at any time but doubly so when it had to be done in a hurry and by one encumbered with a bicycle. As we resumed our journey and sped on it grew dark apace and I had the misfortune to run my wheel into a rut, which shot it and me into the fence close by, making a hopeless wreck of the wheel, though I escaped unhurt. The rest of the journey, five miles, had to be performed on foot. The next day the broken wheel was gathered up and left at a local dealer's, a new wheel secured and my journey resumed.

The towns of Paris, Ayr and Berlin were next visited. Entering Paris from the west a very fine view of the town is secured, lying far down below and across the Grand River. In approaching Berlin from the south the road is a veritable "labyrinth of intricacies," and the guide book does not pretend to describe it, consequently I had to enquire the way frequently, but as most of the inhabitants were of German persuasion it was only from a few that I could get any information of any moment. One old man said in reply to my queries, "Choost geep on this road till you durn; that's German Mills; then you go to Berlin from there." After reaching Berlin I turned east again and an hour's run brought me to Hespeler, past some picturesque places on the Grand and Speed rivers.

After a month's stay at Hespeler, during which I had many opportunities of visiting Guelph and Galt and covering a good deal of the county of Wellington, I proceeded on my way west, passing through Berlin, Stratford, St. Mary's and London. This part of the trip was delightful and includes one of

the best parts of the province, the counties of Waterloo, Perth and Middlesex. On every hand were fine farms, substantial buildings, peace and plenty everywhere. The best roads for wheeling in the whole of Western Ontario as far as I have been over it are around Stratford and west of London. From London to Sarnia is beautiful.

As I was walking up one of the few hills in that district and pushing my wheel I came across a typical Highland Scotchman of the old school, who had seen me coming and waited to engage me in conversation and especially to ask some questions. Having discovered that I was a student of Queen's College he became very much interested. After a number of preliminary questions, a sort of throwing out the light skirmishers in advance of the main army, he boldly asked me if I thought it was right to have an organ in the church. After ascertaining my position on the question, he remarked decidedly, "Well, I do not think it right." Seeing that I was in danger of being drawn into a theological controversy of unknown proportions, I betook myself to my wheel. "See if you will do well," were his parting words. Approaching Strathroy I was overtaken on a rough piece of road by a kind-intentioned old farmer in a buggy. He offered to give me a ride and take my wheel on board too. I presume he had some questions to ask too, but I informed him that I was in a hurry and would have to decline his kind offer. He looked incredulous at this, but when soon after I left him out of sight he no doubt changed his mind and thought a bicycle was swifter than a horse after all.

While making a brief visit with friends in Western Middlesex I went to see an old Highland Scotchman who was a character in his way, and, like most of his countrymen, of a very religious turn of mind. He wanted my opinion on a problem that he had been unable to solve which had given him a great deal of worry. It was this—When Jonah was swallowed by the whale did he enter its mouth head first or feet first? He had referred the question to several of his friends, but had got no satisfaction "whatever," and now he thought I might be able to settle it. When I was compelled to admit my ignorance also he was very much dejected, and I have sometimes debated with myself since, whether it would not have been better to have decided the matter for him one way or the other.

From London I proceeded north through Perth, Huron and into Bruce county through a fine agricultural section, the roads becoming more hilly as I proceeded. This trip was made on the 12th of July, a fact that I was reminded of at nearly every town I passed. There was a blarring of instruments and a beating of drums, and in the suburbs were some of

the "brethren" who had fallen by the way, having imbibed too freely in honor of the Boyne. I arrived tired and hungry in the little German village of Formosa just before dinner on the next day. The landlord of the small hotel was very pleasant, but not very intelligible. I was the only guest at dinner (and a good dinner it was too), and after I had returned from the dining-room he asked: "How you find the grobs?" Thinking that he was referring to the meal I had just partaken of, I replied that it was very satisfactory indeed. I found, however, as he continued the conversation that he had reference to the state of the "crops." Almost every German I spoke to asked me the question, "How much you pay for the bike?" with a drawling inflection on the last word. The rest of my tour took me through the counties of Bruce and Grey and into Simcoe. The main roads through the two former counties are a succession of hills, each seemingly steeper than the last. Near Collingwood is some grand scenery and along the shore of Lake Simcoe is very pleasant wheeling. I had intended making a more extended tour, but other circumstances intervened and prevented me. The innumerable little incidents that go to make such a trip interesting cannot be put down on paper, but the experience of such a trip is very valuable from many points of view.

Divinity Hall.

A MEETING of the Hall was held on the 13th. The Secretary read a communication from the President tendering his resignation of that office. His resignation was accepted and after an exciting contest Mr. J. K. Clark was declared elected. A protest was filed on the ground that there were more votes recorded than there were members present, but on a show of hands the former decision was triumphantly sustained and the newly-elected president took the chair amid great applause. He promised to faithfully perform the duties of his high office and to be circumspect in all his doings.

Robt. Young was appointed to represent us at the medical dinner on the 16th. He was at the same time admonished by the brethren to be moderate in all things and not to mix his drinks.

R. Herbison was our representative at the '00 At Home.

We expect to have G. R. Lowe and F. A. McRae with us again after the holidays.

Rev. J. R. Fraser, M.A., who graduated in '96, has recently received a call to Uxbridge.

The temperature of the apotheosis room does not seem to grow any milder as the days are going by. We have about made up our minds "to grin and bear it."

Poetry.

A PARODY.

BY R. E. SPARKS.

Dedicated to the many citizens who complain that it is next to impossible to stop a Kingston Electric Car. By one of the sufferers.

THE drops of rain were falling fast,
Tra, la la; tra la, la,
As down Princess street quickly passed,
Tra la, la la la,
An 'lectric car whose driver sung,
In accents of the Celtic tongue,
Up i dee, i dee i da, up i dee, up i da,
Up i dee i dee i da, up i dee i da.

Along the street on either side,
Tra la la,
Were damp ones waiting for a ride,
Tra la la,
They cried, they yelled from near and far,
But cried the driver of the car,
Up i dee.

"Hold on! hold on! an old man said,
Tra, la la,
And waved his hand above his head,
Tra, la, la,
Clang went the bell, and all could hear,
The same strange sounds assail the ear,
Up i dee,

"Stop, driver, stop!" a lady called,
Tra la la,
"Stop, stop!" a dozen voices bawled,
Tra la la,
The driver looked on neither side
But in his clarion voice replied
Up i dee.

Far down the street they still could hear
Tra la la,
Those horrid sounds come faint but clear,
Tra la la,
They heard them through the mist afar—
Those wretches who had missed the car,
Up i dee.

That night the driver went to bed,
Tra la la,
And through his troubled sleep he said,
Tra la la,
Those same strange words which he had flung
All day from his Jehuic tongue,
Up i dee.

THE EVE OF OUR "AT HOME."

There was a sound of revelry at Spark's,
Class Nineteen Hundred had gathered there,
Its beauty and its chivalry, when hark,
The joyous cry of noughty noughts we hear.

Full eighty hearts beat happily, and when
Jack arose with his expansive yell,
Bright eyes met eyes and wished to meet again,
All must be merry till the curtain fell, [bell.
But hush! hark! a clear sound strikes like a class-room

What does that mean? Oh! 'tis A. K.'s mind,
As he now wonders where he'll place his feet,
Hunt for your proverbs and your partners find,
No sleep till morn when noughty noughts doth meet
To charm the glowing hours with words so sweet,
But hark! a heavy sound breaks in once more,
As if Archbishops would their threats repeat;
But nearer, clearer, happier than before;
Cheer! Cheer! it is—it is—McGaughey's opening roar.

Ah! then and there was hurrying to and fro,
Skating with Nellie, promenade with Bess,
And hearts beat happily which but an hour ago
Bashfully shrank from Kingston's loveliness;
There, too, were sudden partings such as press
The hope from out young hearts, and fond "good-byes,"
Each topic being completed; who could guess
When other partners should engage our eyes,
While upon wings so sweet each happy moment flies.

In a secluded nook of that great hall
Sat nought one's charming delegate; she did hear
Heart sounds, the first amid that festival,
And patronized Rob Ray with friendly ear.
King Arthur smiled with little dreams of fear,
Until he heard that ringing clanging bell
Which called him forth to merit sounding cheers,
On "slanging slang" which time alone can quell;
He mounts upon a chair with a majestic swell.

Last noon in College full of studious strife,
This Eve in Beauty's circle sweetly gay,
The midnight called us back to normal life,
And warned us lest from hygiene we should stray;
Then homeward in Ark entering array,
While threatening clouds roll o'er us and are rent
By yells, which nought but noughty noughts can sway,
Thus after hours of happiness well spent
Delegates and all in peaceful slumbers blent.—W.J.

PERSONALS.

Harry A. Guess, M.A., '94, has returned from
British Columbia and is at present in Keewatin,
employed as chemist of the Ottawa Gold M. &
M. Co.

Mr. Anthony reports a most enjoyable but most
entangling time at Knox.

W. B. Munro expects to give a paper before the
workingmen's club the second Sunday in January.

Rev. J. Hodges, of Tilbury Centre, has received a
call to Oshawa.

Rev. G. E. Dyde is shortly to be ordained at
Sharbot Lake and settled on that field.

University News.

ALMA MATER SOCIETY.

BY far the largest meeting of the term was held Saturday evening, 11th inst., it being the adjourned annual meeting. President W. F. Nickle called the meeting to order, after which the Secretary, J. W. Marshall, read the minutes of the last annual meeting. The Secretary then presented his yearly report, making special mention of the changes made in the constitution at the last annual meeting, the mock parliament, the vacancies in the Alma Mater Executive, football matters in general, and last, but not least, the *Conversat*. In closing he thanked the members for the assistance they had given him during his short term of office.

The Treasurer, A. W. Poole, gave an account of his stewardship, in which he showed the receipts slightly in advance of the expenditures. He then moved that W. McLaren and T. C. Brown, the newly-elected Treasurer, be the auditors, which motion was passed.

Mr. R. Burton then brought in his amendment to the constitution, relating to closing the poll at 8 o'clock and dispensing with the hourly returns at the general poll. After much discussion and many interruptions as to points of order, the amendment was put to the meeting and carried. Some thought that the doing away with the hourly returns will lessen the interest in the elections, thereby causing a falling-off in the receipts. Others thought that the interest would be increased on account of the greater uncertainty, besides doing away with the sympathy vote and the inclination to "plump." Some practical suggestions for the poll clerk and scrutineers were given by the mover of the amendment.

An amendment to return to the old plan of electing our committeemen was introduced by Mr. W. H. Gould. A number of amendments to this amendment were brought forward and therewith a lively discussion, participated in by the movers, P. F. Munroe, R. Herbison, G. W. Clark, A. Scott, J. S. Davis, R. Burton and others. Finally a vote was taken, which sustained Mr. Gould's amendment.

And now in the absence of Mr. C. E. Smith, Mr. A. S. Morrison brought in an amendment which general opinion had settled as good as carried. This was to lower the fee again to twenty-five cents. Mr. Poole took quite an opposite view, viz., that the fee be raised to one dollar, seventy-five cents of this to go towards the annual *conversat*. These amendments called forth considerable discussion, during which the advocates of the fifty cent fee brought forward some strong points, the result of which was that the two amendments were lost and this part of

the constitution remained unchanged. A few minor changes in the constitution were then made in order that there might be no contradictions in the wording of the constitution, caused by the afore-mentioned amendments.

After a brief address by the retiring President, his successor took the chair. In accepting the office he did so with the intention of doing greater service for his Alma Mater than he was privileged to do before. In a few words he stated scheme of work and thanked the members of the society for the honour they had conferred on him.

The secretary-elect, Mr. T. Kennedy, then took his place at the scribe's table.

A vote of thanks was tendered the retiring officers, making special mention of Mr. W. F. Nickle, president, Mr. J. W. Marshall, secretary, and Mr. A. W. Poole, treasurer.

The annual meeting now adjourned and the regular meeting was held, President Shortt in the chair. After the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting, communications were read from the *Æsculapian Society*, inviting a delegate to their dinner in Hotel Frontenac, and from McMaster University, requesting a delegate to an "At Home." These communications were referred to the senior year in Arts. Mr. N. R. Carmichael then reported progress in matters affecting the conversation. The secretary was instructed to convey to Mrs. Cunningham the sympathy of the students in her sore bereavement in the death of her son, Dr. Cunningham. In the absence of Mr. J. Parker, Mr. W. F. Nickle gave a verbal report of the meeting to organize an Inter-Collegiate Rugby Football Union. However, we hope to have a written report from Mr. Parker at the first meeting in January. The critic, Mr. J. S. Ferguson, gave a very short report, after which the meeting adjourned.

On Friday afternoon, 17th inst., a special meeting was called to consider the matter of our being represented by delegates at the annual meeting of the O.R.F.U., held in Toronto on Saturday, Dec. 11th. President Shortt explained the nature of the meeting and asked the members to deal quickly with the matter. In regard to the appointment of the delegates, Mr. W. C. Baker, President of the Q.R.F.C., stated that he had received no notice, either written or verbal, of any meeting for the appointment of delegates to the annual meeting of the O.R.F.U. in Toronto. There was some discussion as to who appointed these delegates, but Mr. Burton thought the purpose of the meeting was more to set ourselves right in the eyes of the public. He therefore moved the following resolution, seconded by Mr. W. C. Baker:—"That in the opinion of this meeting

it is desirable that the public should know that the persons who represented Queen's at the annual meeting of the O.R.F.U. last Saturday were not duly appointed by the students of Queen's and were not acting under instructions from them." The secretary was instructed to forward copies of the resolution to the Toronto papers and to the secretary of the O.R.F.U., after which the meeting adjourned.

CONVERSAZIONE.

If any one ever had any doubts as to whether a conversazione could be undertaken and successfully carried out by the Alma Mater Society this year, they must have been dispelled on the night of the 17th, when that pleasant event of college life was brought to a most successful issue. The harmony and enthusiasm which characterized all the arrangements, in contrast with the conflict of opinion of past years, augured well for a successful event. The different committees worked well and the success which crowned their efforts was well-deserved.

The decoration committee spared no pains to make the halls and concert room look attractive. Considering the short time they had to do their work and the difficulty of securing material, they did wonders. The bicycles decorated with Queen's colors appeared to good effect in the long corridor, while the time-honoured bayonets lined the railing of the stairway again. The English class-room had undergone a complete change, and it was hard to believe that that cozy spot was the same place where prosaic lectures were delivered to weary students. It was in Convocation hall that the decorations appeared to the best effect, and it was a matter of common comment that the hall had never looked so beautiful before. The decorations were very tasty and well-arranged and showed that the work had been in the hands of a competent committee.

The recess in front of the ladies' cloak room was fitted up as a temporary reception room, where the guests were received by the ladies of the reception committee. The following ladies assisted in receiving:—Mesdames Mowat, Watson, Goodwin, Herald and Cappon.

Convocation hall was the point of attraction and the gallery was soon filled as well as the few available seats in the body of the hall. Shortly before nine o'clock President Shortt appeared on the platform along with Sir Sandford Fleming and Principal Grant. In a few words he extended a hearty welcome to the guests and invited them to partake of the hospitality of Queen's.

The following programme was then given:—

- PART I.
1. "Little Tommy went a-fishing" *Mary*
Queen's University Glee Club.
 2. Solo—"He was a Prince"..... *Lyne*
Mrs. Mima Lund-Reburn.
 3. Banjo Solo—"Darkies' Patrol"..... *Lausung*
Mr. C. A. Porteous.
 4. Solo—"The Muletter of Tarragonna"..... *Henricson*
Mr. J. M. Williams.
 5. Solo—(a) Cavatina, "Liete Signori" *Meyerbeer*
(b) Solo, "Loch Lomond".....
Mrs. Mima Lund-Reburn.
- PART II.
6. "Tis Morn"..... *Geibel*
Queen's University Glee Club.
 7. Solo—"Father O'Flynn"..... *Old Irish*
Mr. J. M. Williams.
 8. Piano Solo—Rhapsodie Hongroise No. 2..... *Liszt*
Miss Norma Tandy, Mus. Bac.
 9. Solo—"Good Night"..... *Chadwick*
Mrs. Mima Lund-Reburn.
 10. Solo—"The Sailor's Grave"..... *Sullivan*
Mr. J. M. Williams.

The numbers were all well received and the singers had frequently to respond to encores. Good attention was given throughout, and on the whole the concert was well appreciated. The decision of the committee not to give out any promenade or dance programmes before the conclusion of the concert was strictly adhered to and much confusion was thus avoided. The hall was quickly cleared for the merry dancers while the corridors were thronged by happy couples, who promenaded to music supplied by an orchestra stationed in the rotunda of the library. The refreshment rooms on the third flat were well patronized and were not too crowded, as in former years. Thus the evening passed quickly and soon after one o'clock the last piece was played and the guests departed.

The following delegates were present from sister institutions: McGill, R. E. McConnell; Toronto University, N. E. Hinch; Victoria, B. A. Cohoe; McMaster, W. B. H. Leakes; Trinity, F. H. Lingwood; Osgoode Hall, J. M. Farrell.

The chairmen of the different committees, to whose efforts the success of the conversat. was mainly due, were as follows: Programme, W. F. Nickle; invitation, N. R. Carmichael; reception, J. S. Shortt; finance, Thurlow Fraser; decoration, R. Burton; refreshment, W. C. Baker.

The class picture of '97 has been put up in the reading-room and many critical opinions have been passed upon it. The photos of the A. M. S. officers and of the JOURNAL staff have also been put up in their proper places.

Arts College.

Y. M. C. A.

AT the meeting on the 10th, W. F. Crawford was leader and read a carefully prepared paper on "Optimism." The advantages possessed by students and the privileges which are theirs were pointed out as ground for rejoicing. A shallow optimism was deprecated, but an optimism that comes from trust and faith makes men better. The address was practical and discussed by various members in a practical way.

Owing to the arrangements being made for the conversazione, the closing meeting for the season was held on Thursday instead of Friday afternoon. Harry Feir lead the meeting on the subject of the "Influence of the Holy Spirit." The address was delivered with much personal earnestness, and was very sensible and to the point. It was pointed out that the work of the Spirit was manifested in ordinary daily life and not merely on unusual and extraordinary occasions. Mr. Logie Macdonnell presided at the piano at both meetings very acceptably. The programmes for next term have been issued and distributed. With such a good list of subjects and speakers the meetings ought to be interesting and helpful.

[We have not received any report of the Q.U.M.A. for this issue. This explains its absence.—Ed.]

YEAR MEETINGS.

'98.

The senior year met on Monday, Dec. 13th. George A. Edmison was chosen to represent Queen's at the annual dinner of the students of McMaster University on Dec. 21st, and A. F. Huffinan was elected as the Arts representative to Queen's Medical dinner. The delegates who recently attended various college functions reported as to the excellent treatment received while away. The programme consisted of a prophecy by N. A. Brisco, a poem by W. A. Fraser, and a partial history of the year by H. B. Munro.

A special meeting was held on Wednesday, Dec. 15th, when certain financial matters were considered. It was also decided that the year place a motto among the Conversazione decorations, and the committee appointed for the purpose nobly fulfilled their duties. '98 will likely hold an "at home" about the latter part of January.

'99.

The regular meeting of the junior year was held on Dec. 14th. In the absence of the secretary, Mr. W. Kemp was appointed *pro tem*. Mr. A. H. Hoard was introduced and elected a member of the year. After the business proceedings had been arranged

the programme was proceeded with. It consisted of a duet by Misses Anglin and Bajus; a paper by the historian, Mr. Beckstedt; a poem by the class poet, Mr. Bell, and solos by Messrs. McIntosh and Tandy. The president then, amid applause, introduced Mr. Barker, who has recently been elected a member of our society, and who then proceeded to give his inaugural address.

In the first place he stated as his reason for joining our year the fact that he had been informed that there are more "pretty young ladies" in the class of '99 than in any other class in the university. He then went on to give some of the impressions he has received since he arrived in this country. He is well acquainted with the British Isles, France, Belgium, Germany, in fact all Europe, and has travelled extensively in Africa, and congratulates us on having a summer climate that is unparalleled in any of these countries.

At the same time he does not see why the people of Canada should have been offended at Mr. Rudyard Kipling's "Our Lady of the Snows." Mr. Barker says that no one can deny that we have a great deal of snow, though Mr. Kipling might have gone a little further and told of our beautiful climate from the month of April to that of November. He also congratulated us as Canadians on the small amount of intoxicants consumed by our people, and on the fact that we are a church-going nation. Though Mr. Barker is neither a religious man nor a total abstainer, yet he recognizes the value of these characteristics in a people. He also told us some very good stories of experiences he has had in Canada, and especially of one when he was driving with a young lady to a church some miles distant. The horse got stuck in a snow drift, and it was fully half an hour before someone came up and got them out of their embarrassing position, and, said Mr. Barker, "it was the most pleasant half hour I have ever spent."

Everyone was delighted with Mr. Barker's address, and if applause is any criterion of a speaker's merit, Mr. Barker is to be congratulated on his first attempt at Queen's. It is to be regretted that on account of the rainy weather the attendance at this meeting was not large. However, we all hope that Mr. Barker will kindly appear again before us and tell us of more of his adventures in our own and foreign lands.

'01.

The regular meeting of the year was held on Wednesday, Dec. 15. The meeting did not favor the undertaking of any decoration, symbolic of the year, for the conversazione; it was agreed, however, that individual members should assist in the decorations. A motion was passed expressing the

regret of the society that J. A. Donnell found it impossible to return to Queen's for some months. An excellent programme was then rendered by members of the year, which was much appreciated by the audience. A member of the sophomore year attended the meeting, uninvited as far as we know.

'00 "AT HOME."

On Friday evening, Dec. 10th, the sophomores held a very successful "at home" at the residence of Mr. Sparks. Delegates were present from the other classes and faculties. Mr. R. Herbison, M.A., represented Divinity Hall, Mr. J. A. McCallum the JOURNAL staff, while Mr. G. Maudson and Miss R. Mills were present for the senior year, Mr. J. F. McDonald and Miss Greenhill for '99, and Mr. G. Ellis and Miss Herchimer for '01. The president of the year, Mr. McGaughy, gave an address of welcome, after which topic cards were distributed. At intervals throughout the evening the literary and musical part of the programme was rendered. Miss Shibley, the class poet, read a poem of good literary merit, in which she gave a short biographical sketch of each of the officers of the class. A recitation by Mr. Arthur followed, after which the delegates gave short addresses. Everything passed off well without any formality and everybody went home with pleasant recollections of the evening and best wishes for the class of '00.

LEVANA SOCIETY.

The attendance at the meeting of Dec. 8th was not as large as usual for some reasons. There was an unusual amount of business to be attended to and, though it was hastened, it took more than its proper time, for which the programme had to suffer. However, it was such as could not be postponed.

The resignation of the Misses Horsey and Taylor as curators was discussed, and a resolution of appreciation of their service and a request that they withdraw their resignation was passed.

It was suggested that as the janitor has been extremely kind to the girls they should remember him at Christmas, and the Levana agreed to unite with the Y.W.C.A. for the purpose. A committee was chosen to attend to the sending of invitations for the Conversat. to the women students of the other colleges attended by women.

The "Longfellow" paper was postponed, and only the piano solos by Misses Wilkie and Mills and the prophetic address were given.

The address was bright and interesting, and we are sorry that we have not a verbatim report of it. She had made several attempts at accounting for her elevation to the position, but, failing in finding a satisfactory one, she passed on to the duties of the

office. The first of these is historical. Going back to the Levana in its infancy she traced the growth of its members, the increasing prosperity of its finances, and the evolution of the girls' reading-room. Looking into the future with a prophet's eye, she described the beautiful gothic structure that will be the college home of after generations of girls. She closed with a hearty wish for a merry Christmas, which we all echo.

The matting has been laid, the curtains made and hung, and now our domain will be the coziest spot at the Conversat.

By the time this is in print the corridors and cloak-rooms, so long gay with laughing girlish faces, will be quiet and desolate, but we look forward to the same pleasant intercourse after the holidays.

LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

The first meeting of the above society was held on Monday evening, the 13th inst., when Mr. A. R. B. Williamson read his paper on "The Eye and the Sense of Sight." The paper was well-prepared and very interesting, and it is to be regretted that not more were present to hear it. The printed programme of subjects and leaders may be obtained from the secretary, N. M. Leckie. The programme for the present session is a good one and an hour may profitably be spent in attending any of the meetings.

SPORTS.

The Athletic Committee have been prompt in decision and action in regard to fitting up the gymnasium for basket-ball, and as a result all the fixtures are already in place and Captain Millar has even had the pleasure of a first practice. The windows have been nicely screened with wire-work, baskets and guards have been made and the floor marked out for playing. Basket-ball will, without doubt, be a popular game this winter.

We take the following from an article on "Ice Hockey" in the current number of *Outing*:—"A team from the Queen's University of Toronto made a tour of some of our eastern rinks last spring and won more games than they lost by a large majority, and yet these collegians were far from the top in Canadian rinks. Although they play in the league as a senior team they are considered one of the weakest in this division and their success over the American players would indicate that our cousins across the border are still a long way ahead of us at the game." All of which shows that our American "cousin" is apt to get mixed when he begins to speak about things on this side of the border.

The Winnipeg Hockey team is expected to play Queen's in Kingston during the first week in January. Saturday the 8th is the date fixed upon.

Medical College.

IN MEMORIAM.

ON Thursday, 9th instant, there passed to the great beyond, Dr. David Cunningham, one of Kingston's most popular physicians and one who was fast gaining an enviable eminence in his chosen profession. He had been ill for some time, and had returned about a fortnight before his demise from Colorado, where he had gone in search of health. Though it was understood that his disease would eventually prove fatal, his sudden death came as a terrible shock to his friends.

Dr. Cunningham was a Kingstonian by birth, and received his education in the public schools, the collegiate institute, and Queen's University. After a brilliant course in the collegiate, he entered Queen's in 1883. During his college course he had many disadvantages to labor against. In fact deceased, like so many others who have gone through Queen's, was a self-made man, and was employed during the summer as purser on the "Norseman," and so did not get back to college till late in the fall each year. In spite of every obstacle he graduated B.A. in 1887, and M.D. in 1890, obtaining both degrees before he had attained his majority. The following year he devoted himself to the study of zoology, and carried off first-class honours in this department. The following session he was appointed lecturer on junior biology under Rev. Professor Fowler. Then he was made assistant to Professor Knight in physiology, which position he filled for four years with credit to himself and the college. He was next advanced to the chair of junior practice of medicine and jurisprudence, which position he held until forced by illness to resign. He was also on the staff of the general hospital, and was surgeon to the Kingston field battery.

It is not our intention to write a panegyric to the memory of our beloved professor—the spotless record which he leaves behind after nearly eight years' practice, and the host of grateful friends and patients who mourn him, will do more to keep his memory green than any words of ours.

ANNUAL DINNER.

The annual dinner of the faculty and students of Queen's Medical department is an event which is looked forward to with no small amount of pleasurable anticipation by all concerned. Certainly this year's dinner was quite up to the average, in fact by many is considered as the best yet.

The spacious dining-room of the Hotel Frontenac was tastefully decorated for the occasion, Queen's colors being in evidence everywhere. They hung

in graceful festoons from the ceiling, were twined about the pillars, and immediately behind the "Old Man's" chair was displayed a banner decorated with the historic skull and crossbones. The tables were arranged in the form of a hollow square, and inside were tables for the freshmen and sophomores, while at the sides of the square sat the juniors and seniors, the faculty and guests occupying the seats of honour at the head of the table.

About nine o'clock President Elliott gave the word and the faculty, guests, and students, in order of seniority, proceeded to the dining-room. On the President's right sat Principal Grant, Dr. Clarke, Mayor Skinner, and Dr. Herald; on his left, Dr. Smythe, Hon. Senator Sullivan, M.D., and Dr. Third.

After the excellent menu had been fully discussed, President Elliott, in a few well-chosen words, proposed the first toast, "The Queen," which was duly honoured. H. V. Malone, B.A., proposed "The Dominion," and B. M. Britton, Q.C., M.P., responded. He showed how Canada had been brought before the notice of the whole world this year, how she had been honoured in the Diamond Jubilee, and spoke of the great future before her—a future which the medical profession had a large share in shaping. He exhorted his hearers to remain loyal Canadians wherever they might settle.

C. O'Connor, in an able speech, proposed the toast, "Queen's and her Faculties," expressing the devotion of the students to Queen's, and referring feelingly to the late Professor Cunningham. Principal Grant replied. He said that Dr. Cunningham's death had so overcome him that he could hardly speak or think of anything else. He gave a short history of Queen's Medical College. It was the first college to open its doors as a public university in the province. It was broad and liberal to all, and was independent of any political control—it was above such things. It was essentially a self-governing institution, and this fact should inculcate into the students the practice of self-government—and of what use is all our college training if we cannot govern ourselves? It was twenty years since he became Principal, and he could look back with pride over the long list of Queen's graduates, all of whom were fighting creditably and honourably the battle of life.

Dr. Anglin replied briefly on behalf of the Medical Faculty. He spoke of the humble origin of this faculty, of its growth, and the enviable position which it now holds. Its graduates scattered over the entire world are doing a grand work, and many of them have won fame and distinction. There is no hardship too great to endure if only they can alleviate the distress of suffering humanity.

R. C. Redmond proposed the toast "Sister Institutions." D. A. Whitton replied for McGill. He discussed the subject of inter-provincial registration and the inconveniences Quebec students had to put up with in order to try the Ontario Council's examinations. He also discussed the inter-collegiate football scheme, and said it had the sanction of McGill students and governors alike. T. Lawrence for Toronto, F. H. Bethune for Trinity, W. MacDougall for Bishop's, A. F. Huffman for Arts, R. Young for Divinity, and delegates from the Veterinary School and Science Hall also responded.

"Our Guests," proposed in a neat speech by Dr. Herald, brought Mayor J. S. Skinner to his feet. He thanked the students on behalf of the city for their kind hospitality. He did not feel a stranger among them for he had once run on the medical ticket in the Alma Mater elections. His father also had the honour to be a professor at Queen's. Dr. Smythe responded for the Kingston legal bar. He testified to his respect for medical men and spoke of the good work they were doing.

N. Anderson proposed "The Hospitals." Dr. Third replied for the Kingston General Hospital. Out of 2,200 patients treated during the past year the death rate had been but 2.4 per cent. The X rays were first used in Canada in this hospital. Since their introduction they have proven invaluable in the diagnosis of injuries and diseases of bone.

Hon. Senator Sullivan replied for the Hotel Dieu. He paid a glowing tribute to the Sisters of Charity. Their hospital knew no creed, race or color distinction. He spoke of the great London hospitals, and the fact that they were maintained solely by voluntary contributions. He also congratulated Dr. Third on the success of his fluoroscope.

Dr. Ryan proposed the toast of "The Undergraduates." He eulogized the students of Queen's, and remarked that it was wonderful how they kept up their work. He thought that too much attention was given to the scientific part of medical studies, to the neglect of the practical. A man did not look to chemistry and allied sciences for his living, but to anatomy and hospital experience.

Mr. Fadden in reply spoke of the respect the students had for their professors, and of their devotion to their life-work.

J. J. O'Hara proposed "The Ladies." In reply Dr. Mylks spoke of the refining and restraining influence the ladies exerted in the students during their college course.

"The Press" was proposed by Hon. Senator Sullivan. He eulogized the press in general, and that of Kingston in particular, which he said presented

the cleanest and brightest news of any press in a city of its size.

T. F. Best replied. It would be the endeavor of the press to give a fair and impartial statement of the news of the world.

During the evening the following programme, every number of which was of high merit, was rendered: Selections by Banjo Club, consisting of Messrs. Malone, Meek, Porteous, Hanley and Stewart; Faculty Song by Rev. A. W. Richardson; Year Song by H. V. Malone; Violin Solo, Mr. Burger; solo, J. Grahame.

NOTES.

The college halls are deserted now, only those remaining in the city who are too far from home or who are too interested in their work to forego it for a time. Most of the boys have gone home to eat their Christmas turkey with their families.

Tutor in histology (to B.B.B.): "Mr. B. where else in the head do we find ciliated epithelium?" Mr. B.: "In the Fallopian tubes."

O'Hara and O'Hagan have dissolved partnership. The Irish twins are now O'Hagan and "Jerry" Curtin.

Dr. R. R. Robinson, lately returned from the west, and Dr. J. Cranston were welcome visitors at the Annual Dinner. "Bobby" intends going to Klondike in the spring.

The Concurus met on 15th inst. A sophomore appeared charged with disorderly conduct in an Æsculapian meeting. The jury brought in a verdict of not guilty, and the judge promptly acquitted the prisoner. The constables were unable to keep order, and it is said numerous offenders will be prosecuted for their unseemly behavior.

The Glee and Banjo Clubs are making a tour of some of the principal towns of Eastern Ontario during the holidays. The following are the members who are taking part: Glee Club—H. Carmichael, R. D. Menzies, J. A. McIntosh, A. J. Meiklejohn, J. Sparks, D. W. Best, W. Crawford, J. S. Macdonnell, W. Lavell; Banjo Club—C. A. Porteous, J. Parker, A. E. Stewart, R. Squire, D. A. Volume, R. Hanley, W. B. Munro, D. A. McKenty, W. G. Tyner, H. V. Malone, G. F. Dalton. T. J. S. Ferguson goes along as elocutionist. "Twenty-two artists in all."

W. R. Sills, M.A. '94, of the K. C. I. staff, was married last week.

Quite a number of students have taken season tickets for the rink, which opened last week. If the present weather continues the prospects are good for hockey as soon as college re-opens.

De Robis Robilibus.

AL-X-N-D-R (calling on young lady and politely asking for the mother first)—“If your mother isn't in tell her it doesn't matter.”

A notice on the boys' bill board read as follows: “Found! a letter to *My dear Bella*. Will be returned to owner on identification.”

C-p-l, L-d-l-w, and others hasten frantically to produce credentials, etc.

“Philosophy (properly defined) is bottling moonshine and boring a hole through fog.” (Extract from essay)—B-r-k-r.

J. K. Cl-k and K-n-w-n (trying to read Latin inscription on the city convent)—

Cl k: “I give it up; come on, Wm.”

“K-n-w-n (still wrestling with the first line): “Wait a minute till I finish this.”

Cl-k: “If we take any longer the inmates will think we do not know any Latin.” Wm. sees the point and with an air of victory marches on.

As the reception committee was driving the delegates around the city in a gaily attired rig a street urchin was heard to remark, “Say, boys, I believe it's a marriage.”

Young lady on decoration committee (to R. B-r-t-n) —“I don't see why they made you chairman of this committee. I don't think you have very good taste.”

R. B.—“Well, perhaps not in the way of decorations, but I showed my good taste in the ladies I put on the committee.”

It is whispered that Tom Wilson is very doubtful of this.

The Principal (in class)—“Your answer, Mr. — shows that you have neither bought the book I ordered for this class nor have been thinking about it.”

He who knows not, and knows not that he knows not—he is a freshman. Shun him.

He who knows not, and knows that he knows—he is a sophomore. Pity him.

He who knows, and knows not that he knows—he is a junior. Honour him.

He who knows, and knows that he knows—he is a senior. Reverence him.—Ex.

A pretty young girl full of pique.

Got down in the mouth, so to spique,

And when people laughed

She thought she was chaughed,

And stayed in the house for a wique.—Ex.

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